

Granted to Redlands, Calif., for water conservation.

Location.

Provisos.
Reversion for non-user.

Mineral rights reserved.

patent to the city of Redlands (a duly organized and existing municipal corporation of the State of California, a body corporate and politic, with full power to hold and own real estate), of California, for the following tract of public land, to wit: The south half of the southeast quarter of section 14, township 1 south, range 2 west, San Bernardino base and meridian, in the State of California, upon payment therefor to the Secretary of the Interior for the Government of the United States the full sum of \$1.25 per acre, which patent shall be issued upon the express condition that the city of Redlands shall use said tract of land for the purpose of water conservation for public benefit: *Provided*, That whenever said lands cease to be used by said city for said purposes or are attempted to be sold or conveyed, then, in that event, title to said lands and the whole thereof shall revert to the United States: *Provided further*, That such patent shall contain a reservation to the United States of all gas, oil, coal, and other mineral deposits that may be found in such land, and the right to the use of the land for extracting the same.

Approved, February 25, 1925.

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[H. R. 3927.]

[Public, No. 472.]

CHAP. 324.—An Act Granting public lands to the town of Silverton, Colorado, for public park purposes.

Public lands. Granted to Silverton, Colo., for park purposes.

Description.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby granted and conveyed to the town of Silverton, Colorado, for public park purposes, the following-described lands or so much thereof as said town may desire, to wit:

A tract of land situate in township forty north, range seven west, New Mexico principal meridian, in the county of San Juan and State of Colorado, conforming as nearly as practicable to legal subdivisions, and not exceeding three hundred and twenty acres in extent, which land embraces what is commonly known as lower Molas Lake, in said county.

Payment, etc.

That such conveyance shall be made of the said land to said town by the Secretary of the Interior, upon the payment by said town for the said land, or such portion thereof as it may select, at the rate of \$1.25 per acre, and patent issued to said town for the said land selected, to have and to hold for public park purposes, subject to the existing laws and regulations concerning public parks; and the grant hereby made shall not include any lands which at the date of issuance of patent shall be covered by valid existing bona fide right or claim initiated under the laws of the United States: *Provided*, That there shall be reserved to the United States all oil, coal, and other mineral deposits that may be found in the land so granted and all necessary use of the land for extracting the same: *Provided further*, That said town shall not have the right to sell or convey the land herein granted, or any part thereof, or to devote the same to any other purpose than as hereinbefore described; and that if the said land shall not be used as a public park, the same, or such parts thereof not so used, shall revert to the United States.

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Valid rights not affected.

Provisos.
Mineral deposits reserved.

Use restricted, reversion if otherwise used.

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[H. R. 5170.]

[Public, No. 473.]

CHAP. 325.—An Act Providing for an exchange of lands between Anton Hiersche and the United States in connection with the North Platte Federal irrigation project.

North Platte irrigation project, Nebr. and Wyo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That upon proper execution and delivery by Anton Hiersche of a deed conveying to

the United States, its successors and assigns, a good merchantable title in fee, free of incumbrance, to certain lands needed by the United States for reservoir purposes in connection with the North Platte Federal irrigation project in Nebraska and Wyoming, to wit: The northeast quarter; north half of the northwest quarter; southeast quarter of the northwest quarter; north half of the southeast quarter and southeast quarter southeast quarter of section 16, township 23 north, range 54 west, sixth principal meridian, Nebraska; then in exchange for such lands so conveyed the usual patent shall be issued by the United States to Anton Hiersche, conveying to him the following-described lands: The northeast quarter of the northeast quarter; south half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter; south half of the northeast quarter; south half of the north half of the northwest quarter; south half of the northwest quarter; and the southeast quarter of section 22; and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter; and the east half of the southeast quarter of section 15, all in township 23 north, range 54 west, sixth principal meridian, Nebraska, excepting therefrom rights of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by authority of the United States: *Provided*, That said deed to the United States shall release the United States from all damages to said lands in section 16 suffered by said grantor Anton Hiersche on account of the construction, operation, and maintenance of the said irrigation project: *Provided further*, That said grantor shall be permitted within a period of six months after the date of said deed to remove his improvements from said land in section 16: *Provided further*, That the patent from the United States shall contain language (a) by which the United States shall be released from all claims for damages to said land in section 22 by seepage from existing or proposed reservoirs constructed or to be constructed in connection with said irrigation project, and (b) by which the title of the grantee shall be held subject to a lien in favor of the United States to secure the payment of the project operation and maintenance and construction charges upon the irrigable area of the land patented hereunder.

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Exchange of lands with Anton Hiersche for addition thereto.

Lands conveyed.

Lands in exchange.

Provisos.
Release of damages to lands conveyed.

Removal of improvements.

Conditions in patent.

CHAP. 326.—An Act To restore homestead rights in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act any person who has heretofore entered, under the homestead laws, and paid a price equivalent to or greater than \$2.50 per acre, lands embraced in a ceded Indian reservation, shall, upon proof of such fact, if otherwise qualified, be entitled to the benefits of the homestead law as though such former entry had not been made: *Provided*, That the provisions of this Act shall not apply to any person who has failed to pay the full price for his former entry, or whose former entry was canceled for fraud.

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[H. R. 8333.]
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Public lands.
Second homestead entry allowed if former one in a ceded Indian reservation.

Proviso.
Restrictions.

CHAP. 327.—An Act Granting to the State of Oregon certain lands to be used by it for the purpose of maintaining and operating thereon a fish hatchery.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue

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[H. R. 9495.]
[Public, No. 475.]

Public lands.
Granted Oregon for fish hatchery.